

REMARKS

Claims 10-15 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-9 & 16-18 are currently pending in the present application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

On page 2 of the Action, a restriction requirement is imposed on the application. The Action states, "This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

I: Species (claims 1-9, 16-18) of the embodiment as shown in FIGS. 1-4.

II: Species (claims 10-15) of the embodiment as shown in FIGS. 5-7."

Moreover, the Action states, "Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed specie for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable."

Applicant elects species I (claims 1-9 and 16-18) with traverse.

Applicant has considered the Action's initial restriction requirement, but respectfully traverses the same. It is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be reconsidered for the reasons set forth hereinbelow. If, upon reconsideration, the examiner is still of the opinion that restriction is proper, it is respectfully requested that the restriction be repeated and made final in the next Office action. (MPEP § 803.01)

The traversal is on the ground(s) that species I and II do not require a separate technology classification, would not warrant separate status in the art, and would require a separate field of search. It is well-settled law that the strongest reasons for restriction involve one or more of the following: (i) separate technology classification;

(ii) separate status in the art; or (iii) divergent field of search. It is respectfully submitted that species I and II would not warrant a separate technology classification since species I that includes a PC card with printer controller and species II that is a method of printing that utilizes a PC card with printer controller is in the same technology area. Furthermore, the status of species I and II in the art would be the same and not be separate. Also, would not require a different field of search, but instead the field of search for species I would suffice for species II as well because of the similar technology.

For all the reasons advanced above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims are requested, and allowance is earnestly solicited at an early date. The Examiner is invited to telephonic the undersigned if the Examiner has any suggestions, thoughts or comments, which might expedite the prosecution of this case.

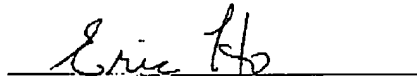
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